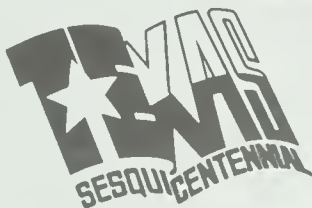
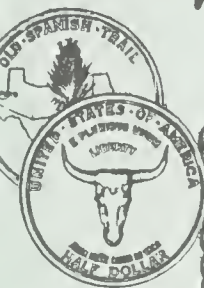


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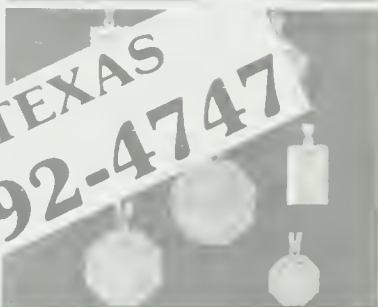
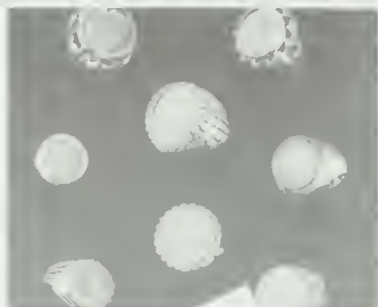
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Though it is now August and we are well into typically hot Texas summer weather, while you are enjoying the air-conditioned comfort of your home why not make some plans to attend the annual coin show of the Austin Coin Club. In conjunction with this event TNA has for years, as a guest of the Austin club, had a mid-year governing board meeting. This year the board will meet on Sunday, September 29, and TNA members are invited to attend.

Historically, there have been from 40 to 45 quality dealers in attendance with an excellent selection of numismatic material. I mention this show not with the idea of necessarily touting a local show, but with the idea of urging the attendance of as many TNA members as possible.

You know, Austin is within a 4 hour drive of Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Corpus Christi, Victoria, San Angelo, San Antonio, Waco, and many other smaller cities. I encourage you to attend the board meeting because I want each of you to feel that TNA is your organization, and that you have a say in its operation. I do not want anyone to

feel that the board is not interested in your input. So, give it some positive thought and make plans to be with us in Austin, and enjoy some good fellowship with others of similar interest.

From time to time I have been asked about the investments that TNA has. I hope that you take the time each month to read the treasurer's report. If so, you have noted that TNA has 3 different investments. To give you some details about those investments, they are:

1. A CD currently valued at \$2,459.52, earning 11.0% interest, and maturing on April 6, 1986.
2. A CD currently valued at \$5,872.58, earning 9.75% interest, and maturing on February 11, 1987.
3. A CD currently valued at \$5,475.99, earning 9.50% interest, and maturing on May 1, 1986.

I would ask that each member of the governing board take note of the above information, and pass this on to the local clubs as you visit them

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THE STORY BEHIND THE COIN

Lee Grossman, N.L.G.

San Antonio, Tx.

CARACALLA — COMPARED TO HIM, VALENS WAS A SAINT!

On April 6, 188 A.D., in the city of Lugdunum (now Lyon, France), Septimius Severus and Julia Domna became the parents of a baby boy. They named him Bassianus. Septimius Severus became emperor in 193 A.D., and in 196 A.D., when he was eight years old, Bassianus was given the rank of Caesar (Crown Prince). Two years later, he was raised to co-emperor. Not bad for a boy only 10 years old!

Bassianus changed his name to Marcus Aurelius Antoninus and issued the order that his coinage show his name as Antoninus Pius. However, he preferred to be called



Lee Grossman

Caracalla and that is how he is remembered in history.

When Severus went on an expedition to Britain in 208 A.D., he took Caracalla, and his younger son, Geta, with him. Caracalla personally led the campaign of 210 at age 22.

Septimius Severus died in 211 A.D. and Caracalla ruled jointly with Geta as set out by Severus. Sibling rivalry came to an end in February 212 when Caracalla ordered the assassination of his brother Geta. To ensure his position as sole emperor, Caracalla had around 10,000 prominent and distinguished Romans put to death. Many were Geta's supporters.

In 202 A.D., when he was 14 years old, Caracalla married Plautilla, the daughter of the powerful Pretorian Prefect, Plautianus. When Plautia-



CARACALLA



PLAUTILLA



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nus died in 205 A.D., our hero, keeping in character, had his wife banished to the Lipari Islands and in 211, she was murdered on orders from Caracalla.

Caracalla's reign not only reeked of cruelty but also was financially expensive. In the wars he waged, he accomplished more by treachery than by a force of arms.

It was only a matter of time before the reign of this unstable emperor would be brought to an end. Macrinus, the Praetorian Prefect, instigated and ordered the murder of Caracalla because he feared for his own safety. It was accomplished on April 8, 217 A.D., while Caracalla was traveling between Edessa and Carrhae in Osroene near Mesopotamia - now Iraq.

Caracalla wasn't all bad. About the only good he did was to give all free inhabitants of the empire, the name and privileges of Roman citizenship.

As for the name "Caracalla," by which this emperor was known, well, it was a "nickname" derived from the long tunic of Gallic origin, which is called a caracalla and which the emperor who was born in Gaul made as his favorite wearing apparel.

Regarding his coinage, as a Caesar (196-198 A.D.), only one gold Aureus was minted, and in Very Fine condition, is valued at around \$2,250. At least seven different silver Denarii were issued, and in VF, sell for \$22.50 to \$45. Two bronze Sestertii and one As were struck. In fine condition, the former sells at \$100 to \$115, while the latter can be ob-

tained for about \$50.

As Augustus (with Septimius Severus, 198 to 209 A.D.), with Severus and Geta from 211 to 212, and as sole emperor from 212 to 217 A.D., a gold double Aureus was minted but is extremely rare. Three different gold Aurei and a gold Quinarius were issued. In Very Fine, prices range from \$1500 to \$1800.

Several different types of silver coins were minted. The Cistophorus is worth about \$700 in Very Fine condition. In 214 A.D., Caracalla added GERMANICUS as a title after victories over the Germans. And in late 214 he made the double Denarius as a new denomination and named it after himself - Antoninianus. Silver Antoniniani sell at prices ranging from about \$50 to \$150, with Denarii worth from \$15 to \$425. The Quinarius has a value of \$180.

As for bronze coinage, Sestertii command higher prices as they are scarcer than others. In Fine, they are valued at prices from \$75 to \$525. The Dupondius can be obtained for about \$50. The Ases are available at prices starting at \$50 to \$75.

When Elagabalus, the self-proclaimed Sun-God, became emperor, he ordered a silver Denarius and a bronze Sestertius to be issued to commemorate the death of Caracalla. The silver coin is worth about \$375 in VF, and the bronze for \$525 in just Fine condition.

Several different bronzes were issued as Colonial and Provincial coinage. They are difficult to obtain in the higher grades. If you merely want one, you can probably get the

AE 17 to AE 29, at \$6 to \$18 in Fair condition

Will Rogers, the American humorist-politician-actor-statesman-etc., in the 1930's has been credited with saying he never met a man he didn't like. It is obvious that Will had never met Caracalla!

My coin is a silver Denarius, similar to SEAR #1843, and in VF condition, but has a crack in the planchet. The obverse side has a laureate head facing right and the lettering reads: "ANTONINVS PIVS AVG" ("Emperor Antoninus, the Pious"). The reverse has Security seated left holding a sceptre. The lettering reads "PONTIF TR P XII COS III" ("Chief Priest in Tribunician Powers renewed 12 times, in his third Consulship"). The reverse side set the date, when the coin was struck, as 209 A.D.

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"Stella" means star, and since there is a star on the four dollar gold piece, it is known as a "stella." Ten dollar gold coins are known as eagles; twenties are double eagles; fives, half eagles; two and one eagles are quarter eagles.

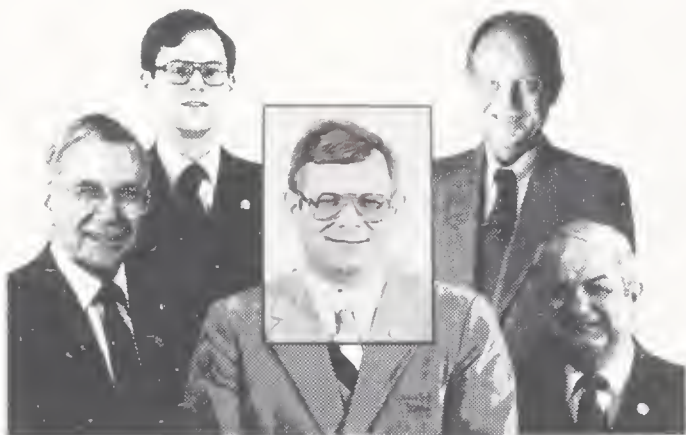
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I am pleased to report that both Fort Worth and San Antonio are moving ahead with their plans for hosting the 1986 and 1987 TNA conventions, respectively. They both promise to be outstanding conventions.

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Don't forget to carry with you an application or two for TNA membership, and sign-up a new member. We all want TNA to continue to be a viable organization.

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Have you made your donation (or has your club) of Texas money, tokens, medals, paper, anything, for the TNA Sesquicentennial traveling exhibit? We must get that "show on the road" or dismiss the project. It's up to you. We received another inquiry as to availability of the exhibit and with just a few more, the entire year of 1986 will be reserved for showing. The latest one came from Richard Laster of Rosebud, Texas . . . "As a part of the Falls County Sesquicentennial Committee, I would like to request the possibility

of receiving this exhibit for a period of time. We have a county Museum in Marlin and also several traveling exhibits of county and general interest in other parts of the county. As a TNA member I appreciate your effort to acquire such a collection. It will be a fantastic offering from our Association for the Sesquicentennial." We must get started on this, please help!

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Howard Luke, TNA medals officer, sent two complimentary TNA Alamo medals, one to Randy Lee, executive director Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial, in Austin and the other to Susan McClelland, editor of *Stars Across Texas*, one of the official in-house publications, along with some line drawings. Those of you who receive these publications, watch for some publicity. Thanks, Howard.

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A gentleman from Queens Village, NY, has asked for information on a U.S. mint medal struck in 1955. Can you help?

Howard L. Turner writes: "In 1955 the U.S. Mint struck 2000 bronze medals, 1-5/16" in diameter, for the

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COMMITTEE HEADS NAMED FOR FORT WORTH '86 TNA

Howard W. Luke, general chairman of the 1986 Texas Numismatic Association convention, has announced an incomplete list of committee chairmen to serve.

Heading up the bourse committee is R.E. (Bob) Slocum assisted by Ken Jones; exhibits, Charles Cox with Werner Pegg assistant; publicity, Joe Wade; registration, Katherine Kennady.

Elleta Havens will be in charge of the program, special events and TNA meetings; Linda Wade, governor club representative and awards' breakfasts; Bob Culbertson, auction co-ordinator; and Werner

Pegg, awards and badges.

Chairmen to be named are educational forum, security, finance, advisor, VIPs and display cases.

The convention, hosted by the Fort Worth Coin Club, will be held at Tarrant County Convention Center and the Fort Worth Hilton will be headquarters. The convention theme will embrace the Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial.

Everyone is urged to make hotel reservations as soon as possible. Luke has blocked 200 rooms. Write or call the Fort Worth Hilton, 1701 Commerce St., Ft. Worth 76102. 817 335-7000.



SPIDER PRESS

One of the many attractions for visitors at the 1985 TNA convention in El Paso was the working exhibition of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing Spider Press. Bureau representatives were helpful in answering questions posed by the public on the operation of the unique press

from the 1st vice president

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Most of the vacation is over with our return from Guatemala. TNA's only member in that country, and possibly only member in a foreign country, sends his regards.

Coin hunting there was not great. I did find a nice eight real coh with two dates visible. One, on the obverse, is 99/8 from Potosi, Bolivia and countermarked with the sun over three volcanos which made it legal tender in Guatemala. A group of ancients was also purchased but nothing spectacular. The Tetradrachm of Antiachos VIII of Syria was as I thought, a fake. Tom Walker will be happy to see it.

A side trip proved to be very interesting. I was taken into the mountains by my stepson, Father Edwin Portillo. This place can only be reached by a 4-wheel drive using double compound. I was told that I am the first American to be there. The people living there come down to Zacapa about every two weeks to buy food. They carry it by back-

packing over this terrain. Loads weighing from 70 to 100 pounds are carried over mountain trails which rise from 600 feet to 3,600 feet above sea level over a distance of eight miles.

We visited the Castillo de San Felipe (Castle of St. Philip) a national monument. This can be accessed only by 4-wheel drive or by boat. Most visitors use the boats and now I know why. This is in the northern part of Guatemala on the Atlantic coast.

By the time this is in print, ANA will be the next week. I am told that they are gearing up for a grrrrreat time. It has been almost 70 years since ANA has been held in Baltimore, Maryland. ANA has bent the arm of American Airlines for special convention rates. However, you must know the special file number for these special rates or you will be charged the usual. Hope to see many of you there. Let's make ANA more aware of Texas.



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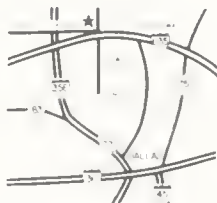
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SEPTEMBER 6-8

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OCTOBER 12-13

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB, annual show, Will Rogers Exhibit Hall, West Lancaster & 1 Amon Carter Square. **WRITE:** Ken Jones, Box 7733, Ft. Worth 76111.

OCTOBER 18-20

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MEDLAR TO SPEAK

R.E. (Bob) Medlar of San Antonio, ANA governor, will conduct an educational forum on Saturday, September 7, during the Dallas Coin Club annual show. The forum is scheduled to commence at 10:30 a.m. Medlar's talk will deal with matters

relative to the state of the art, and it will be followed by a question and answer period.

TNA and ANA club representatives, and others interested, are urged to attend.

The show will be held September 6-8 at Crowne Plaza Holiday Inn, 4099 Valley View Lane, in Dallas. For more information write LCdr. C.C. Andrews, Show Chairman, P.O. Box 7673, Dallas 75209, 214-357-1379.

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Texas Heritage Foundation (now defunct). The medal celebrated the Texas Declaration of Independence 120th anniversary and the battles of the Alamo, Goliad and San Jacinto.

"It is pictured in the book **Heroe's of The Alamo** on page 90 and shows the then president of the foundation, A. Garland Adair, presenting the first medal to Governor Allan Shivers. Besides this one, none that I can find have ever surfaced."

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District Meetings

DISTRICT I —

Plans for a watermelon party in July and a bid board instead of an auction in August highlighted the **Ft. Worth Coin Club** meeting held at 1009 Henderson Street. Twenty one were present.



Morris Johnson
Governor

Also discussed by members were ways to create more interest in club activities and increase membership.
- **Frances Luke, Sec.**

New officers were elected at the **Stephenville Coin Club** meeting held at Red Bandana Steak House.

Serving are Mario Johnson, president; Charles Collier, vice president; Lorene Randals, secretary; Jo Stem, treasurer. Directors elected are Bill Stem, Hadley Scott, Ellis Randals and Scott Johnson, junior director. Phil Davis will serve as program chairman.

Auctions concluded both meetings for the month. - **Lorene Randals, Sec.**

DISTRICT II —

The annual Permian Basin Coin Show hosted by **Odessa Coin Club** will be held August 17-18 at Holiday Inn, according to August H. Ganze Jr., TNA District 2 governor.



August H. Ganze Jr.
Governor

Information can be obtained by writing Ganze at 3842 E. Everglade, Odessa 79762.

DISTRICT IV —

Members of **Waco Coin Club** were to host the annual club picnic on June 22 at Speegleville Park, Lake Waco, and it was announced that the July meeting would be held on the third Thursday as the meeting location was not available on the regular night



Dr. Robert Greenwood
Governor

Dalton Adams gave a program on grading Morgan dollars, illustrating his talk with dollars ranging from About Good to MS-65. A ques

tion answer session followed.

An auction concluded the meeting. - **J.P. Jones, Reporter.**

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DISTRICT V —

A program on "Bust Halves" was given by Ron Blaha at the meeting of Garland Coin Club held at Garland Woman's Bldg. Blaha discussed the design of the coin as well as the designers and current prices. He also showed some drawings of the coins.

Thanks was expressed to everyone who helped at the recent coin show. Walt Stine won the door prize and the auction was conducted by Barney Welch. - **Timothy N. Lee, Sec.**



Paul Garner
Governor

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The Dallas Coin Club is now a Life Member of TNA and announcement was made at the meeting when Paul Garner, District 5 governor, gave a report on the TNA convention in El Paso.

C.C. Andrews gave a program on 19th century companies who built ships in an effort to develop the transatlantic business to America. Typical crossing time was 15 days. Slides of oceangoing ships were shown. The 1843 Mammouth, Great Britain, is pictured on a 1985 25-pound Falkland Islands' coin. Another ship, the Great Eastern, laid

the transatlantic business to America. Typical crossing time was 15

Ed Johnston, a new member, won the door prize. - **Ron Blaha, Sec.**

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DISTRICT VI —

A "fun day" was held by members of Greater Houston Coin Club when they gathered for the annual picnic. The theme for the event was called "A Mexican Picnic." Members brought Mexican dishes to eat, wore Mexican clothing, spoke Spanish, played Mexican games and spent Mexican money. The picnic was held at the home of Alan Perry.

During the regular meeting, a discussion was held on the 29th annual Money Show and a suggestion that awards be given at the end of the year to members who give programs and sign up new members. Bernard Loebe was named ANA club representative. - **Club Bulletin.**

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Interesting uses for "Platinum, The Miracle Metal," was discussed by John Zanders at the Pasadena Coin Club meeting held at Ramada Inn, Hobby Airport, with 25 members and four guests in attendance.

Zanders pointed out that platinum was used in the manufacture of fertilizer, as crucibles in chemical testing, in industry as a catalyst, in automotive manufacture in catalytic converters. One ounce of platinum is sufficient for 62 to 68 converters. He also touched on how the price of the metal is tied to the fluctuations in gold prices.

David and Helen Butler joined the

club and Angela and Lisa Breazeale, granddaughters of Bill and Chris Johns, were guests. Ken Engelking was presented a plaque in appreciation of his work in handling the club shows for the past three years. - **Chris Johns, Recording Sec.**

Members of **Bellaire Coin Club** were urged to attend meetings and to bring numismatic items for the auctions.

Plans were under discussion about the early August coin show. - **Club Bulletin.**

DISTRICT VII —

Gateway Coin Club was honored to have Mac Kennady, TNA president, and Eleanor Kennady, TNA secretary, at one of the June meetings held at Wyatt's Cafeteria in San Antonio



Frank Galindo
Governor

Mr. Kennady presented a program on the early coinage of Mexico and showed examples from his collection

The club planned not to meet the first Thursday due to the Fourth of July holiday. On July 18, Jerry Williams, TNA treasurer, planned to attend and present a program.

Harold Eiserloh gave a program on "Coins of the Crusaders" at the

June 27 meeting of **Alamo Coin Club** of San Antonio. Harold discussed coins from a historical, legendary and chivalrous period.

Mac Kennady, TNA president, visited from Austin for the evening. An auction concluded the meeting.

At the June 13 meeting, Freeman Craig gave a slide presentation on "Double Eagles of the 20th Century." - **Club Bulletin.**

DISTRICT VIII —

Programs planned for July and August for members of **Corpus Christi Coin Club** included a film and talk on grading coins, an auction, a show & tell on other hobbies, and Dale Nelson was to bring members up to date on hurricanes.



Joe B. Davis
Governor

At a recent meeting, David Burke gave a program on American Indians and their plight for peace and freedom in early America. Recipients of ANA certificates for giving programs were Joe B. Davis, John Face, C.H. Roberts, Glen Littrell, Amber Littrell, Bob Evans and Floyd Bieniek.

New members are Tom and Vicki Michelson, Dee Brunson and Inez Bowman. John Face was appointed TNA representative and Glen Littrell will serve as ANA representative. Under discussion were plans on the November 23 coin show to be

held at La Quinta Royale, 601 N. Water. Bill Bailey is general chairman and David Burke heads up the bourse committee. - **Club Bulletin**.

Kingsville Coin Club meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday at Kleberg County Courthouse. An auction is a part of every meeting and monthly events are planned such as a dinner, picnic and treasure hunt. - **Corpus Christi Club Bulletin**.

DISTRICT IX —

Kert McEnaney gave a talk on "Texas Banking Industry" before members of **South Plains Coin Club** held at Precinct 5 Club House in Lubbock. Thirteen were present.

Reports were made on the 1985 Lubbock coin show and plans made for the 1986 show. Jim Hall and D.O. Joplin conducted the auction. Mr. Ramsey won the door prize. - **E.L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9**.

Seven members attended the meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** in Littlefield at the Reddy Room.

New officers were elected and include E.L. Merriott, president; E.L. Pitzer, vice president; D.O. Joplin, secretary; and Larry Sanderson, treasurer.

Refreshments were served after a lively trade session and a substantial number of coins had new owners. - **E.L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9**.

DISTRICT XI —

Pam Tipton is serving as bourse chairman for the **Golden Spread Coin Club** Fall coin show in Amarillo. Dates are September 14-15 at Quality Inn on I-40 East. Pam can be reached at 500 S. Virginia, Amarillo 79106, phone 806 372-8786.



Nela Runkle
Governor

Door prize winners at the regular meeting at First National Bank were Catherine Boyd, junior, Ted Johannsen, Dan Orick, Linda Caylor, Robert Fortner and Roy Burklow. - **Club Bulletin**.

DISTRICT XV —

Jim Eldridge gave a brief talk on an article about ANA, the grading of coins and their techniques, at the meeting of **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club** held at Wyatt's Cafeteria. Eldridge also presided at the business session in the absence of President Bill Stein.

Seventeen members and two guests were present. Harry Chand is a new member. - **Linda Dowden, Sec.**

The regular meeting of **Greater Orange Coin Club** was primarily directed to the club's annual coin show on June 29-30 at the KC Hall. Twenty five dealers were expected to attend.

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Dewey L. Scott planned to present the program at the July meeting. Beeky Scott, Sec.

Plans are progressing for the annual coin show to be sponsored by Beaumont Coin Club on September 21 and 22 and under discussion was the possibility of obtaining a rare coin for display which would attract show visitors.

Jerry Williams, TNA treasurer, reported on the TNA convention in El Paso. Door prizes went to Willi-

ams, Bill Stein, Ann King, Kaye Brown and Art Larkin. Sid King led the auction. Kaye Brown, Sec.

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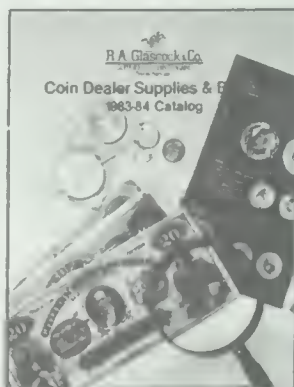


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